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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE WASHDC INFO MANILA SINGAPORE  
FROM TAIPEI APR 17 REPEATED

QUOTE

TAIPEI 2271

E. O. 11652: GDS

YGS: EFIN, TW, CH, ADB, AF

GGSUBJECT: ROC PARTICIPATION IN THE ADB

REF: STATE 70628

1. WE ARE TOLD BY VICE MINISTER FINANCE WANG SHAO- YU  
THAT AFGHANS HAVE CONSIDERED SEEKING ADB EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTORSHIP, FILLING ONE OF EIGHT VACANCIES FOR  
REGIONAL MSBERS. IF AFGHANS MOVE AHEAD ON THIS THERE  
WILL BE NINE CANDIDATES FOR THESE VACANCIES. WANG  
REPORTS THAT AFGHANS HAD HOPED THAT BY OUSTING ROC FROM  
ADB THE PRESENT GROUPING OF ROK, SOUTH VIETNAM AND ROC  
WOULD NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT SUPPORTING VOTES TO ELECT  
ROK REP AS ED AS THEY NOW PLAN. AFGHAN CANDIDATE COULD  
THEN BE ELECTED.

2. WANG FURTHER INFORMS US HOWEVER THAT KOREA HAS AGREED  
TO PAY INMPN INCREASED CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION TO ADB BEFORE  
THE ELECTION AND THAT THIS HAS BEEN APPROVED. ( WANG  
SAYS THAT KOREA MAY, IN FACT, HAVE ALREADY PAID IN THIS  
ADDITIONAL AMOUNT.) AS A CONSEQUENCE THE ROK AND SOUTH  
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VIETNAM NOW HAVE ENOUGH VOTES TO ELECT AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITHOUT ANY VOTES FROM THE ROC AT ALL AND THE AFGHANS CANNOT PICK UP AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTORSHIP AT THE EXPENSE OF THE ROK/ SVN/ ROC GROUPING.

3. THERE IS STILL SOME SUSPICION HERE HOWEVER THAT THE AFGHANS MAY SEEK TO PUSH OUT THE ROC FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES THOUGH WANG HAS NO DIRECT EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THIS CONCERN. HE DID ASK SPECIFICALLY THAT THE US DO WHAT IT CAN TO DETERMINE THE AFGHANS POSITION AND, IF THEY IN FACT DO INTEND TO MOVE AGAINST THE ROC, WANG SAYS HIS GOVERNMENT HOPES WE WILL DO WHAT WE APPROPRIATELY CAN TO DISSUADE THEM.  
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